

Did You Know?

Learn about Family & Community Support Services

What is FCSS (Family and Community Support Services)?

This is a Provincial Grant program in partnership between the government of Alberta and participating Municipalities and Metis Settlements to design and deliver local preventative social services to improve the well-being of individuals, families and communities.

Where does the funding come from to deliver FCSS programs, services or events?

The Government of Alberta Contributes 80% of the Funding towards the FCSS Program. The Town of Gibbons contributes a minimum of 20% as per the FCSS agreement.

What are the FCSS Preventive Strategies?

- Promote and Encourage Active Engagement in the Community
- Foster a Sense of Belonging (Community or Individual)
- Promote Social Inclusion
- Development and Maintain Healthy Relationships
- Enhance Access to Social Supports
- Develop and Strengthen Skills that Build Resilience

Why do I have to fill out a Survey when I attend an FCSS Program or Event?

Outcomes and Measurements are a major part of the reporting process with FCSS. Surveys are a valuable tool to report on program objectives, community impact, volunteerism, community need and opportunities for continuous improvement.

What is the FCSS Mandate?

- Help people to develop independence, strengthen coping skills and become more resilient to crisis
- Help people to develop interpersonal and groups skills which will enhance constructive relationships between people
- Help people develop awareness of social needs
- Help people and communities to assume responsibility for decisions and actions which affect them
- Provide Supports that help sustain people as active participants in their community

Where can I learn about FCSS programs, events or services in my community?

- Town of Gibbons Website
- Gibbons Family Resource Centre
- Social Media (Facebook)
- Local Community Facilities
- Contact us at gfrc@gibbons.ca

What Programs are eligible and what programs are ineligible under FCSS and who can apply?

Eligible Programs (as stated in the FCSS Mandate):

- Help people to develop an awareness to social needs
- Help people to develop independence, strengthen coping skills, social resistant to crisis
- Help people to develop interpersonal and group skills which enhance constructive relationships between people
- Help people and communities to assume responsibilities for decisions and actions which affect them
- Provide supports that helps sustain people as active participants in their community

Ineligible Programs:

- Provide Primarily for Recreation needs or leisure pursuits
- Offer direct assistance, including money, food, clothing or shelter to sustain an individual or family
- Be primarily rehabilitative in nature
- Duplicate services that are already provided by the government or a government agency
- Funding cannot cover operational costs that are not directly aligned with the FCSS program

Gibbons Family Resource Centre Programs

Child and Youth Engagement

- Fostering Leadership in Youth (FLY) program
- Community events
- Home Alone Course
- Babysitter Training Course
- Youth Centre-Drop In Programs
- Summer Programs
- Tools for Schools
- Lemonade Day

Seniors

- Seniors Week Events and Education
- Seniors BBQ
- Gibbons Twilight Club
- Walking Group
- Seniors Transportation
- Seniors Almost Christmas Dinner
- Snow Angels
- Income Tax Program

Community Event Programming

- Kindness/Anti-Bullying Month
- Family Day Event
- International Women's Day
- Easter Event
- Shredding Event
- Mental Health Week
- Emergency Preparedness Week
- Pride Week
- Canada Day
- Pioneer Days
- Community Week
- Meet the Community Night
- Truth and Reconciliation
- Block Parties
- Home Town Weekend
- Neighbour Day

Information, Referral, and Support Services

- Informational and Referral Services
- Community Resource Guide
- Community Development
- Interagency Services
- Faxing/Photocopying Services

Volunteer Engagement

- Volunteer Recruitment
- Volunteer Training
- Volunteer Recognition
- Awareness Campaign

Other Programs and Services

- Bon Accord Gibbons Food Bank
- Community Clothing Closet
- Family Resource Network Programs and Services
- Free Period Products, Condoms, and Pregnancy Kits
- Gibbons Community Gardens
- Gibbons Golf Classic
- Gibbons Garage Sale
- Gibbons Recreation Programs
- Gibbons Museum
- Gibbons Summer Programs
- Gibbons Youth Centre
- Health for Two Pre/Post Natal Program
- Mayors Brunch
- Street Works Safe Needle Exchange
- Sturgeon Adult Learning
- Sturgeon Victim Services
- WeCan Food Basket Program
- Winter Walk Day
- Winter's End Counselling Services

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